

ARKANSAS  
WEATHER AND CROP PROGRESS



December 1, 2003

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REPORTING FOR WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 30, 2003 CROP YEAR

**RELEASED:** December 1, 3PM - There were 4 days suitable for field work. Soil moisture supplies were 1% very short, 10% short, 75% adequate, and 14% surplus.

**CROPS:** Harvesting activities were virtually complete with only a few cotton and soybean fields left to harvest. Wheat planting was complete with only a few fields left to emerge. The week's remaining activities revolved around field preparation for next season.

**LIVESTOCK:** Livestock are reported to be in good condition. Producers are continuing routine cattle management throughout the state. Due to adequate rainfall and mild fall weather, pastures are in excellent condition.

Crop Progress and Conditions

Progress %					Condition %				
CROP Stage	Current Week	Previous Week	Previous Year	5 Year Average	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
CORN									
SOYBEANS									
Shedding	100	99	100	100					
Matured*	100	99	100	100					
Harvested	98	96	95	99					
SORGHUM									
COTTON									
Harvested	99	97	97	99					
RICE									
WHEAT					0	2	26	62	10
Planted	100	97	91	95					
Emerged	96	90	77	85					
PASTURE & RANGE .									

\*Soybeans matured data begins with 2002.

MESSAGE FROM THE EDITOR

This is the final Weather and Crop Progress Release for 2003. We will resume this report in early April 2004 and would like to give special thanks to our County Agents and the National Weather Service for their ongoing participation.

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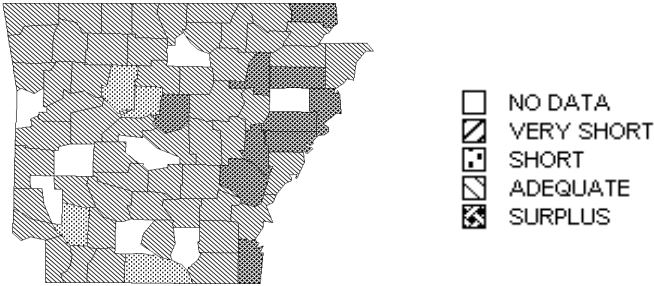
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SOIL MOISTURE SUPPLIES

WEATHER FOR THE WEEK ENDING:

November 30, 2003.    Temperatures    were below normal.    Rainfall was below normal.    Jonesboro recorded the high temperature of 90<sup>o</sup> and Gilbert recorded the low temperature of 16<sup>o</sup>.    Precipitation ranged from a high of 2.78 inches at Jonesboro to 0.28 inches at Camden.



TEMPERATURES AND PRECIPITATION WEEK ENDING: November 30, 2003

DISTRICT AND STATION	TEMPERATURES			R A I N F A L L				
	HIGH	LOW	DEP FROM NORM	WEEK ENDING NOV 30	CURR NOV ACCUM.	NOV NORMAL	JAN-OCT	
							2003	NORMAL
1 Fayetteville	62	19	-3	0.81	3.97	4.74	31.59	38.08
Harrison	65	20	0	0.79	2.68	4.96	30.31	36.61
2 Calico Rock	67	19	-4	1.63	6.42	4.93	35.76	37.06
Gilbert	67	16	-5	1.37	6.61	5.18	32.28	35.72
Greers Ferry	64	25	-2	2.05	5.67	5.92	43.89	40.46
Mountain Home	67	22	-3	1.42	6.62	5.31	34.93	35.98
3 Batesville	64	22	-2	0.98	5.18	5.48	53.37	38.03
Jonesboro	90	27	1	2.78	6.39	5.02	43.63	36.91
Keiser	60	27	-4	2.76	5.86	4.84	41.89	40.13
Newport	64	27	-4	2.17	5.52	5.55	46.61	38.53
4 Booneville	64	24	-5	0.68	4.50	5.08	25.05	38.44
Clarksville	65	25	-2	0.86	5.72	5.08	29.13	37.54
Dardanelle	66	22	-3	1.65	6.16	5.36	28.03	38.93
Ft. Smith	65	23	-3	1.02	4.36	4.80	23.84	35.68
Mena	63	23	-4	1.11	5.82	5.88	34.26	47.49
Ozark	63	23	-5	1.17	5.85	5.06	32.66	36.24
5 Conway	63	23	-3	2.37	5.65	5.24	47.24	38.64
Hot Springs	66	23	-3	1.12	5.97	6.29	41.51	46.20
Little Rock	64	26	-2	1.54	5.13	5.73	33.05	40.49
N Little Rock	65	30	0	1.71	4.79	5.74	32.21	38.92
6 Brinkley	60	27	-5	2.36	6.92	4.76	29.82	39.68
Marianna	62	26	-5	1.39	5.05	5.22	30.89	42.16
Stuttgart	65	25	-5	1.10	3.80	5.06	34.33	34.33
7 Hope	70	21	-5	0.45	2.68	5.91	36.11	43.54
Texarkana	72	28	-2	0.34	2.69	5.34	28.89	37.21
8 Camden	73	26	-4	0.28	3.55	5.23	36.96	42.74
El Dorado	77	24	-2	0.79	3.97	4.80	33.47	44.51
Warren	70	25	-3	1.32	5.76	5.26	36.60	44.92
9 Eudora	72	28	-3	2.59	5.44	5.36	39.02	45.49
Pine Bluff	67	28	-3	0.84	2.39	4.87	35.53	42.20
Rohwer	67	28	-4	1.11	6.41	5.40	38.12	40.99